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THE CALCUTTA METRO RAILWAY (OPERATION AND
MAINTENANCE) TEMPORARY PROVISIONS
ORDINANCE, 1984.

No. 13 OF 1984

Promulgated by the President in the Thirty-fifth Year of the Republic of India.

An Ordinance to make temporary provisions for the operation and maintenance of the Calcutta metro railway and for matters connected therewith, pending the making of regular arrangements for such operation and maintenance.

WHEREAS Parliament is not in session and the President is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary for him to take immediate action;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of article 123 of the Constitution, the President is pleased to promulgate the following Ordinance:—

CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY

1. (1) This Ordinance may be called the Calcutta Metro Railway (Operation and Maintenance) Temporary Provisions Ordinance, 1984.
- (2) It shall come into force at once.

Short
title,
commence-
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applica-
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(3) It shall apply to the metropolitan city of Calcutta.

Definitions.

2. (1) In this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise requires,—

(a) "Calcutta metro railway administration" or "metro railway administration" means the General Manager of the metro railway appointed under section 3 of the Construction Act;

(b) "commissioner" means a commissioner of the metro railway appointed under section 27 of the Construction Act;

(c) "Construction Act" means the Metro Railways (Construction of Works) Act, 1978;

(d) "metro railway" means such portion of the metro railway constructed in the metropolitan city of Calcutta under the provisions of the Construction Act as may, for the time being, be available for public carriage of passengers, and includes—

(i) all land within the boundary marks indicating the limits of the land appurtenant to the metro railway;

(ii) all lines of rails, sidings, yards or branches worked over for the purposes of, or in connection with, the metro railway;

(iii) all stations, offices, ventilation shafts and ducts, warehouses, workshops, manufactories, fixed plants and machineries, sheds, depots and other works constructed for the purpose of, or in connection with, the metro railway;

(e) "prescribed" means prescribed by rules ~~made under this Ordinance~~.

(2) All other words and expressions used herein and not defined but defined in the Indian Railways Act, 1890, or the Metro Railways (Construction of Works) Act, 1978, shall have the meanings, respectively, assigned to them in those Acts.

33 of 1978.

9 of 1980.

33 of 1978.

CHAPTER II

THE CALCUTTA METRO RAILWAY ADMINISTRATION

Calcutta
railway
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to be
responsi-
ble for the
operation
and
maintenance
of the
metro
railway.

Previous
sanction
of the
Central
Government
required for
the
opening of
metro
railway.

3. (1) Subject to the other provisions of this Ordinance, the Calcutta metro railway administration shall be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the metro railway.

(2) The Calcutta metro railway administration may, for the efficient performance of its functions under this Ordinance, appoint such officers and other employees as it considers necessary on such terms and conditions of service as may be prescribed.

4. No metro railway shall be opened for the public carriage of passengers except with the previous sanction of the Central Government.

(2) Before giving its sanction under sub-section (1), the Central Government shall, after considering the report given (whether before or after the commencement of this Ordinance) by the commissioner under clause (a) of sub-section (2) of section 27 of the Construction Act and other relevant factors, satisfy itself that the metro railway can be opened without danger to the public using it.

(3) A sanction given under this section may be either absolute or subject to such conditions as the Central Government thinks necessary for the safety of the public.

(4) Where any sanction for the opening of the metro railway under this section is given subject to any conditions, such railway shall not be worked or used until such conditions are fulfilled to the satisfaction of the Central Government.

CHAPTER III

SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR THE RUNNING OF THE METRO RAILWAY

(1) No person shall, while travelling in the metro railway, carry with him any goods other than a small baggage containing personal belonging not exceeding such volume and weight as may be prescribed.

Carriage of
goods.

(2) Where any person travels in the metro railway in contravention of the provisions of sub-section (1), he shall, notwithstanding that he holds a valid pass or ticket for any travel in such railway, be liable to be removed from the train by any metro railway official authorised by the metro railway administration in this behalf or by any other person whom such metro railway official may call to his aid.

6. It shall not be necessary for the metro railway administration to reserve any ~~compartment in any~~ train for the exclusive use of females.

Reservation
compartment
for females
not
necessary.
Dangerous
or
offensive
goods.

7. (1) No person shall take or cause to be taken any dangerous or offensive goods upon the metro railway.

(2) If any metro railway official has reason to believe that any such goods are contained in a package in the custody of any passenger, he may cause the package to be opened for the purpose of ascertaining its contents.

8. (1) If, in contravention of sub-section (1) of section 7, a person takes or causes to be taken any offensive goods upon the metro railway, he shall be punishable with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees.

(2) If, in contravention of sub-section (1) of section 7, a person takes or causes to be taken any offensive goods upon the metro railway, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to four years and with fine which may extend to five thousand rupees.

Penalty for
taking or
causing
to take
offensive or
dangerous
goods upon
the
metro
railway.

(3) In addition to the penalties specified in sub-section (1) or sub-section (2), a person taking or causing to be taken any offensive goods or dangerous goods upon the metro railway shall be responsible also for any loss, injury or damage which may be caused by reason of such goods having been so brought upon the metro railway.

9. (1) No person shall smoke in any compartment or carriage of the metro railway or in any underground metro railway station.

Smoking
in com-
partments,
etc.

(2) Whoever contravenes the provisions of sub-section (1) shall be punishable with fine which may extend to two hundred and fifty rupees.

(3) If any person persists in so smoking after being warned by any metro railway official to desist, he may, in addition to incurring the liability mentioned in sub-section (2), be removed from the compartment or carriage in which he is travelling or from the underground station at which he may be found smoking by any metro official authorised by the metro railway administration in this behalf.

Drunken-
ness or
nuisance
upon
the metro
railway.

10. (1) If any person,—

- (a) is in a state of intoxication; or
- (b) commits any nuisance or act of indecency, or uses obscene or abusive language; or
- (c) wilfully or without excuse interferes in any way with the comfort of any passenger,

in any carriage or upon any part of the metro railway, he shall be punishable with fine which may extend to two hundred and fifty rupees and shall also be liable to forfeiture of the fare which he may have paid or any pass or ticket which he may have obtained or purchased, or be removed from such carriage or part by any metro railway official authorised by the metro railway administration in this behalf.

(2) If any metro railway official is in a state of intoxication while on duty, he shall be punishable with fine which may extend to ~~two hundred and fifty rupees~~, or, where the improper performance of the duty would be likely to endanger the safety of any passenger travelling or being upon the metro railway, with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, or with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees, or with both.

Prohibition
demonstra-
tions
upon
the metro
railway.

11. (1) No demonstration of any kind whatsoever shall be held on any part of the metro railway or other premises thereof and it shall be open to the metro railway administration to exclude from such premises any person attending such demonstrations whether or not he is in possession of a pass or ticket entitling him to be in the said premises.

(2) No person shall paste or put up any poster or write or draw anything or matter in any compartment or carriage of the metro railway, or any premises thereof, without any lawful authority and any person found engaged in doing any such act may be removed from the compartment, carriage or premises by any metro railway official authorised by the metro railway administration in this behalf.

(3) Whoever contravenes any of the provisions of sub-section (1) or sub-section (2), or being asked by any metro railway official to leave any compartment, carriage or premises refuses to do so, shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three months, or with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees, or with both.

Penalty for
travelling on
roof, etc.,
train.

12. If any passenger travels on the roof of a train or persists in travelling in any part of a train not intended for the use of passengers or projects any part of his body out of a train after being warned by any metro railway official to desist, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend

to one month, or with fine which may extend to fifty rupees, or with both, and shall also be liable to be removed from the train by any metro railway official authorised by the metro railway administration in this behalf.

13. (1) If a person enters into or upon the metro railway without any lawful authority or having entered with lawful authority remains there unlawfully and refuses to leave on being requested to do so by any metro railway official, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three months, or with fine which may extend to two hundred and fifty rupees, or with both.

Penalty for unlawfully entering or remaining upon the metro railway or walking on the metro railway line.

(2) If any person walks on the metro railway line without any lawful authority, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees, or with both.

14. If any metro railway official, when on duty, endangers the safety of any passenger,—

Endangering the safety of passengers.

(a) by any rash or negligent act or omission; or

(b) by disobeying any rule or order which such official was bound by the terms of his employment to obey, and of which he had notice,

he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to five years, or with fine which may extend to six thousand rupees, or with both.

15. If any metro railway official, when on duty, is entrusted with any responsibility connected with the running of a train, or any other rolling stock from one station or place to another station or place, and he abandons his duty before reaching such station or place, without authority or without properly handing over such train or rolling stock to another authorised metro railway official, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to four years, or with fine which may extend to five thousand rupees, or with both.

Abandoning train, etc., without authority.

16. If any person obstructs or causes to be obstructed or attempts to obstruct any train or other rolling stock upon the metro railway by squatting, picketing, or keeping without authority any rolling stock on the metro railway or tampering with any signalling installations or by interfering with the working mechanism thereof, or otherwise, he shall be liable to be removed by any metro railway official authorised by the metro railway administration in this behalf and shall also be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to four years, or with fine which may extend to five thousand rupees, or with both.

Obstructing running of trains, etc.

17. (1) Where an offence under this Ordinance has been committed by a company, every person who, at the time the offence was committed, was in charge of, and was responsible to, the company, for the conduct of the business of the company, as well as the company, shall be deemed to be guilty of the offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly:

Offences by companies.

Provided that nothing contained in this sub-section shall render any such person liable to any punishment, if he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he had exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), where any offence under this Ordinance has been committed by a company and it is proved that the offence has been committed with the consent or connivance

of, or is attributable to any neglect on the part of, any director, manager, secretary or other officer of the company, such director, manager, secretary or other officer shall be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

Explanation.—For the purposes of this section,—

(a) “company” means any body corporate and includes a firm or other association of individuals; and

(b) “director”, in relation to a firm, means a partner in the firm.

CHAPTER IV

MISCELLANEOUS

9 of 1890.

Application of Act 9 of 1890 and the rules etc., made thereunder to the metro railway.

Effect of Ordinance and rules, etc., inconsistent with other enactment.

Protection of action taken in good faith.

Power to remove difficulties

Power to make rules.

18. Save as otherwise expressly provided in this Ordinance, the provisions of the Indian Railways Act, 1890, and the rules, orders or notifications made or issued thereunder shall, so far as may be, and subject to such modifications as may be necessary, apply to the operation and maintenance of the metro railway, as if such metro railway were a railway as defined under that Act, and the references to “railway administration” and “inspector” in that Act shall be construed as references to the “metro railway administration” and “commissioner” respectively.

19. The provisions of this Ordinance or any rule made or any notification issued thereunder shall have effect notwithstanding anything inconsistent therewith contained in any enactment other than this Ordinance or in any instrument having effect by virtue of any enactment other than this Ordinance.

20. (1) No suit, prosecution or other legal proceeding shall lie against the Central Government, the metro railway administration or any officer or other employee of that Government or the metro railway administration for anything which is in good faith done or intended to be done under this Ordinance.

(2) No suit, prosecution or other legal proceeding shall lie against the Central Government or the metro railway administration or any officer or other employee of that Government or the metro railway administration for any damage caused or likely to be caused by anything which is in good faith done or intended to be done under this Ordinance.

21. If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of this Ordinance, the Central Government may, by order, do anything not inconsistent with such provisions which appears to it be necessary or expedient for the purpose of removing the difficulty.

22. (1) The Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, make rules to carry out the provisions of this Ordinance.

(2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such rules may provide for the following matters, namely:—

(a) the terms and conditions of service of the officers and other employees of the metro railway administration under sub-section (2) of section 3;

(b) the cases in which and the extent to which the procedure specified in section 4 for the opening of the metro railway for public carriage of passengers may be dispensed with;

(c) the volume and weight of the baggage containing personal belongings that may be carried by a person while travelling in the metro railway;

(d) any other matter which is required to be, or may be, prescribed.

(3) Every rule made under this section shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament, while it is in session, for a total period of thirty days which may be comprised in one session or in two or more successive sessions, and if, before the expiry of the session immediately following the session or the successive sessions aforesaid, both Houses agree in making any modification in the rule or both Houses agree that the rule should not be made, the rule shall thereafter have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, as the case may be; so, however, that any such modification or annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done under that rule.

ZAIL SINGH,
President

R. V. S. PERI SASTRI,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

